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SUBJECT: SLOWDOWNS AFFECTING PRC-DRV RAILWAY TRAFFIC

1. IN BRIEF CONVERSATION WITH USLO OFFICER DECEMBER 19, DUTCH EMBOFF SAID HE HAS RECENTLY HEARD COMPLAINTS FROM A NORTH VIETNAMESE DIPLOMAT IN PEKING CONCERNING SLOWDOWNS IN RAIL FREIGHT DELIVERIES FROM CHINA INTO NORTH VIETNAM. THE SLOWDOWNS ARE DUE TO PROBLEMS IN THE TWO PRC PROVINCES ADJACENT TO NORTH VIETNAM (KWANGSI AND YUNNAN), THE NORTH VIETNAMESE SAID, BUT THE PROBLEM IS MORE SERIOUS IN KWANGSI, WHICH HANDLES THE BULK OF PRC-DRV TRAFFIC AND WHICH SEEMS TO BE EXPERIENCING TRANSPORT DIFFICULTIES.

2. COMMENT: THIS IS FIRST WE HAVE HEARD OF RAILWAY PROBLEMS IN KWANGSI. IT HAS SEEMED EVIDENT FROM PRC MEDIA OUTPUT AND OTHER SOURCES THIS YEAR THAT CHINA'S TRANSPORT SYSTEM IN MANY PARTS OF THE COUNTRY HAS FAILED TO MEET PRODUCTION TARGETS ON SCHEDULE, AND THERE HAVE BEEN RECENT REPORTS OF A MAJOR CLASH BETWEEN LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND RAILWAY WORKERS IN THE SHANGTUNG-KIANGSU AREA, CENTERING ON AN INCIDENT IN THE KIANGSU CITY OF

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HSUCHOW. USLO WILL TRY TO FOLLOW UP THE KWANGSI STORY

LOCALLY, BUT WOULD APPRECIATE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
WHICH CONGEN HONG KONG MIGHT HAVE AVAILABLE.
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